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: PROTON CONDUCTING MEMBRANE, METHOD FOR PRODUCING THE SAME AND FUEL CELL USING THE SAME

## AMENDMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.116

Commissioner for Patents
U.S. Patent and Trademark Office
Customer Service Window, Mail Stop Amendment
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Sir:

Responsive to the Final Office Action of December 8, 2010, reconsideration and withdrawal of the rejections made therein are respectfully requested in view of the following amendments and remarks. Inasmuch as the Office Action sets a three-month shortened statutory period for response, to end March 8, 2011, no extension of time is believed due. However, should any extension of time or claim fee be necessary to maintain the pendency of the instant application, the same is hereby expressly requested, and the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office is authorized to charge any required fee to Deposit Account No. 19-0089.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Attachments are listed on page 11.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 12 of this paper.